

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully petition for a three (3) month extension of time within which to submit a response, thereby extending the period to file a response up to and including August 24, 2006. Accordingly, this submission is responsive within the paid-for extension of time. Please charge the \$510.00 fee (small entity) for this extension to **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**. It is believed that no other fees are required for entry of these amendments, but should any fees be necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.


CONCLUSION

An indication of allowance of all claims is respectfully solicited. In the event any issues remain, Applicants would appreciate the courtesy of a telephone call to their counsel to resolve such issues and place all claims in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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